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Falcon Club of America T-Shirt (short sleeve, white/red trim) Adult - S, M, L, XL; Child's - M, L	\$ 7.00
T-Shirts (white w/screen print colored pictures) 60-63 or 64-65 or Early Rancheros or 65 Rancheros S, M, L, XL	7.00
T-Shirts - Falcon fender drawing on front, back fender drawing on back (silver, yellow, ecru, blue) S, M, L, XL	9.00
Sweatshirt (grey, navy, maroon & red trim-FCA logo) give 2nd choice on color S, M, L, XL	13.00
Golf shirt w/pocket, collar/FCA logo (royal blue, red gold) give 2nd choice on color S, M, L, XL	13.00
Ladies' Golf Shirt (pink, yellow, white/red trim, white/navy trim) S, M, L	13.00
Hat (mesh ball style w/FCA patch or winter weight) red	6.50
Convention Booklets (1981-1987)	each .50
Books: 1960/62 Reproduction Shop Manual (includes V-8)	30.00
FALCON/Ray Miller (hardcover 320 pages)	40.00
Ford Falcon 1960-1970 (100 pgs. 180 ill.) Collection of articles from automotive magazines	14.00
Ford 1903 to 1984 (9 x 11) 384 pgs. (32 in 4-color)	15.00
1963 Falcon Sprint road test (8 pgs. 18 ill.)	4.00
Decal-National Club (for window)	1.25
Patches: National Club patch (3" round)	2.25
Ford Falcon (oval, blue & gold)	2.25
FALCON (rectangular, red & gold)	2.25
Jacket Patch FCA (9" round)	6.00
RANCHERO (rectangular 1" x 4")	2.50
FALCON with year (60 thru 70 plus 63½)	3.50
Memo Pad (FCA imprint)	.50
Ball Point (FCA The New Size Ford Imprint)	.75
Falcon Fender Cover (24" x 47" w/Falcon imprint)	16.50
Key Fob (leather w/Falcon medallion)	2.50
Poster (24" x 36") 28 color pictures of Falcons	5.00
License Plate (Falcon Club of America-white/red letters)	4.50
License Plate Frames (FCA logo)	each \$6 or pair 11.00
Sign-Metal-Printed	
"Falcon Parking Only"	12.50
"Parking for My Falcon Sprint"	12.50
Bumper Sticker (I (heart) My Falcon) new vinyl	2.00
FCA Pin/Hat Tack	3.00
Pins/Hat Tacks: All pins	each 2.50
Futura Script (Silver)	Falcon Bar (red/white/blue) Large
Ranchero Script (Silver)	Falcon Bar (red/white/blue) Small
Sprint Script (Silver)	Silhouette of 1960-63 Ranchero
Falcon Script w/year (Silver)	Silhouette of 1963 Hardtop
(1960-1970)	Silhouette of 1964-65 Hardtop
289 Sprint V	Futura Bar (red/white/blue)
260 V	Bird Emblem w/year (red,white,blue)
289 (white/blue)	(1960-1967)
289 V	Ford #1 (red/white/blue)
Ranchero Bull Head	Ford Motorsport (white square)
LIMITED EDITION BELT BUCKLE (oval FALCON)	10.00
Can Coolers	2.50
New 1½ hour Video of Conventions & Regional since 1981	12.00

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to Falcon Club of America. Send all orders to: ELLEN O'DELL, 417
VALLEY VIEW DR., EAST ALTON, IL 62024.

PARTS WANTED

64-65 dash plastic, one piece or complete sets. Gary Goddard, 7164 Hwy. 212, Covington, GA 30209. (404) 483-8756.

Gas tank sending unit for 64 Ranchero. Ed Couturier, 905 A Lombard, Redlands, CA. (714) 793-8266 collect.

For 65 Falcon: wiring assembly for dealer installed back-up lights. Marin F. Ennis, 1405 Doowood Drive, West Lawn, PA 19609. (215) 678-2997 collect.

Required trim pieces to put a vinyl roof on a 65 Falcon. 65 Falcon Sprint fender emblems. Plastic elbows off bucket seats. Ken Kowalk, 6138 Long Hwy., Eaton Rapids, MI, 48827. Phone (517) 663-4263 between 6-9 p.m. EST.

Help! I need Plastic (L & R) Door Molding for 70½ 2-Dr. Falcon Sedan. Mine is Canadian built, but I'm sure the USA 70½'s have the same moldings. Mint condition except for this part! Donald R. Fogle, 2 Guyton St., Greenville, SC 29615. (803) 244-9088.

MISCELLANEOUS

"How to modify your Falcon." Reprints of tech. articles plus disk brake conversion, \$5. Add \$1 for negative roll suspension information (Global West Catalog). Alan's Restorations, P.O. Box 2126, Truckee, CA 95734-2126.

Literature for sale: 60-63 shop manual \$24.95; 64 shop manual \$44.95; 65-68 shop manual \$26.95. Falcon by Ray Miller \$34.50; Falcon 60-70 \$11.95; 63-65 Falcon Dealer Facts Booklet \$5.95 per year. Add \$2.95 shipping per order. Ron Miller, Box 392, Timberville, VA 22853. 703-896-5910.

Wanted: Owner's Manual for 70½ Falcon Sedan. D.R. Fogle, 2 Guyton St., Greenville, SC 29615. (803) 244-9088.

!!!!!!ATTENTION F.C.A. MEMBERS!!!!!!

Keep this information for future reference. If you have any question about the following years, and the answer could be found in a shop manual, please contact the following members.

Technical Advisors

SELF ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE REQUIRED FOR ANSWERS.

Falcon year	Name & Address
1960:	Bonnie Stringer, 110 Nicholson Ave., Long Beach, MS 39560
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1963 HT:	Bob Passino, 5188 E. Henrietta Rd., Henrietta, NY 14467
1963 Conv.:	Robert Swope, 318D Fenwick Rd., Ft. Monroe, VA 23651
1964 Conv.:	Russell Hoeksema, 4519 56th St. W., Bradenton, FL 33507
1964-65 Ranchero:	Dave Jones, Box 565, Parachute, CO 81635
1964 HT/Sed.	Tim Hodgdon, Rd #1 Box 399, Vergennes, VT 05491
1965:	Cliff Smith, 1210 Crescent Drive, Bloomington, IN 47401
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1967:	Roy Sword, 629 N. Hospital, Jacksonville, AR 72076
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Steve Lee, 340 High Street, Tarpon Springs, FL 34689. (813) 934-8356.

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Charles Garcia, 823 E. 700 North, Layton, UT 84041. (801) 546-4987.

President's Message

With the new year ahead of us, it looks like we're off to a big start.

This Spring The Land of Lincoln Chapter has a Regional Meet planned. Then, in August we have our National Meet at Kansas. This Fall a Regional Meet is planned for the Northeast by The Keystone Chapter and another Regional Meet at Dallas by The Lone Star Chapter. If there is another chapter who has a meet planned, please let us know so we can get it in The Falcon News.

Special Notice: Our present Editors who have served the F.C.A. for nearly three years now have asked to be replaced. I feel we owe them a great deal since they have done so much with The Falcon News. We are now looking for an Editor. If you or anyone you know would be interested, please contact me. This job would only consist of laying out The Newsletter each month. Bill and Kathy have told me they will still typeset and print the Newsletter.

Hoping you have a Happy New Year,
Roy E. Sword, Pres. FCA

Editor's Message

Hope you enjoy this first issue of 1989. We have a lot of pictures of some great looking Falcons.

Please let The Falcon News hear from you this new year. Your help wanted questions, hints to other members, and any interesting articles you come across are always needed. It is you the members that make this newsletter a success so come on and help us out — write us today!

As Roy mentioned in his message, we are asking that a new editor take over for us. We would like to encourage anyone interested to contact us or Roy. We would be glad to explain the duties and give our words of encouragement. The job is basically receiving mail from the membership and compiling what goes in each issue. This monthly packet would then be sent by the editor to us for typesetting, printing, labeling and mailing.

Enjoy your month,
Bill and Kathy Woodell, Editors

Technical Help Wanted

I would very much like to hear from anyone who has converted (or attempted to convert) a 1960 to 1965 Ranchero to 4-wheel drive, or who knows of such a conversion. Any and all information will be appreciated.

Skip Goddard, 2625 West Virginia St., Tucson, Arizona 85746.

What is the cause and cure for the slip and play that occurs in the steering column shift mechanism between the shift position indicating letters on a 2-speed automatic transmission? Or how do you keep the shift collar from sliding between indicating letters after it is locked into one position on a 2-speed auto?

Bob Kollay, 43 N. Maryland Ave., Youngstown, OH 44509

PARTS FOR SALE

Falcon Bumpers: 60-61, 62-63 front \$200 ea., 64-65 front \$225 ea., 60-63 rear \$200 ea., 64-65 rear \$225. These are triple plated show quality bumpers. Please add \$15 per bumper for U.P.S. C.A. Jones, P.O. Box 787, Nashville, GA 31639. (912) 686-5101.

N.O.S. 66 Grille \$200, 67 Grille \$150, 68-70 Grille \$150, 66-70 Gas Tank (except Wagon and Ranchero) \$130, 66-70 Headlamp Switch \$15, 66 Headlamp Doors \$75 paid, 66 Tail Lamp assy. \$45 ea., 68, 69-70 Speedometer \$35, 66-70 Outside mirror \$24, 66 Heater & Defroster Kit \$125. Please add 10% for U.P.S. C.A. Jones, P.O. Box 787, Nashville, GA 31639. (912) 686-5101.

4-sp. transmission, Borg & Warner T-10 factory 4-spd. for early model & late model, extra bolt holes in the front housing to work from 63 up. \$250. Clyde Gentry, 611 Baylor Dr., West Memphis, AR 72301. (501) 735-7324.

New parts: 60-63 gas cap \$24.95; 64-65 gas cap \$34.95; 64-65 gas cap emblem \$18.95; 65 grill emblem insert \$18.95; 60-63 steering wheel \$74.95; 64-65 hood ornament \$38.95; 62-63 fender ornaments C2DZ-16178/9-A \$69.95 pair; weatherstrips - call; molded carpet \$99.95; 63-64 Sprint fender script \$14.95; 64 sprint V-8 emblem \$19.95; Falcon fender cover \$14.95. Add 10% shipping. Send SASE for list. Ron Miller, Box 392, Timberville, VA 22853.

N.O.S. 65 R/H headlight door \$50. Chrome plated regulator covers for 60-64 Ford products \$8. N.O.S. CIDD-2853-B park brake cable and conduit, fits 60-61 S/D, S/W and Ranchero \$25. All prices include shipping. Ken Kowalk, 6138 Long Hwy., Eaton Rapids, MI 48827. (517) 663-4263 between 6-9 p.m. EST.

Hooker Super Competition Headers, new, aluminum sprayed, for 64-65 w/289, 302. Take best offer. John or Susan Brunken, 9236 Church Rd., Dallas, TX 75231. (214) 341-2488.

61 deluxe right front fender trim, complete set, 5 pcs. \$25. St. Wagon & Sed. Del. rear power window motor & Regulator \$30. 66 remote mirror \$15. 65 drip rail moldings w/ pillar spears, 4 pcs. \$50. 66 2-dr. door & quarter window panels, 4 pcs. red \$30. All following N.O.S. C3DZ-5310-Y 6 cyl. coil springs \$50 pr. C0DZ-3350-B 60-63 6 cyl. idler arm kit \$40. 67-70 center link V-8, P.S. \$40. Rick Dilks, 307 N. Castle, Paola, KS 66071. (913) 294-2599.

63 Falcon parts N.O.S. hood \$100, tail light bucket with lens \$75, headlight doors \$100 pr., Falcon script \$40, front fender ornaments \$75 pr., used mint tail light bucket \$60, rust-free front fenders, early take-offs, stored inside years \$450 pr. Joe Bassett, 123 Martin Pond Rd., Groton, MA 01450. (508) 448-6231.

Fordomatic 2-speed rebuilding kits with gaskets, o-rings, lip seals, clutches (bronze frictions, steels) front and rear seals, sealing rings \$75. Specify engine size and year. Bands \$40 each, adjustable modulator \$8. Bushings, washers, pumps and miscellaneous hard parts available. Kits, bands and parts available for small, medium case, C-4 and C-6. David Edwards, Box 245-FC, Needham Hgls., MA 02194. (617) 449-2065 Evenings.

Used Falcon parts 62-63: complete A/C system, V-8 mount brackets \$150, hood & hinges \$35, front bumper \$30, 62 grille and bezels \$45, squire front fenders \$50, squire side molding \$50, pair bucket seats \$75, tinted windshield \$40, pair fender ornaments \$40, 62 tail light buckets \$10 each, padded dash \$15. M. J. Bleicher, 14120 Glengyle St., Whittier, CA 90604.

Parting out 63 Futura 2-door Sedan with bucket seats and console, 2 64 Sprint HT's, 2 65 HT's, 63 Futura 4-door V-8 car and several 64-65 4-door cars. Gary Goddard, 7164 Hwy. 212, Covington, GA 30209. (404) 483-8756.

Carpet sets 80/20 orig. loop curl O.E.M. specifications, serged edges, heel pad, padding. \$135 post paid; NEW 65, 66 67, 68 owners manuals \$12 each plus ship.; N.O.S. 63 grille w/ headlight doors \$275; good used 65 4-dr doors \$85; have fenders, deck lids, hoods, glass, rear ends, front end parts and MUCH more! SASE Tom Massarelli, 10 Young St., Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. (914) 471-7769.

63 Falcon NOS original Ford parts, not reproductions. Headlight doors \$1 pair. 62-63 front top fender ornaments \$75 pr. Tail light bucket with lens \$75 mint, used \$60. Used radio \$45. 13" Sprint spokes \$175 set. 14" Galaxie spokes \$200 set. Futura 13" full disk hubcaps \$40 set. Joe Bassett, 123 Martin Pond Rd., Groton, MA 01450. (508) 448-6231.

Falcon A/C parts, NOS, reproduction or rebuilt, one part or complete systems. Most items available. Call or write: Classic Auto Air Mfg. Co., 2020 W. Kennedy Blvd., Tampa, FL 33606. (813) 884-3681 or 251-2356.

NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS: The club will send out notices to each member the month before membership expires. Be sure to send your renewal in early to retain your original membership number. If you do not renew your membership within 90 days after it has expired, your membership number will be placed in the inactive file and will no longer be used by the club.

CARS FOR SALE

1963½ Falcon Sprint — Excellent condition, loaded with many extras. \$5000. Paul Battaglia, 1275 Cody St., Lakewood, CO 80215. (303) 233-0646.

Falcon for Sale in Auction: January 20, 1989, Phoenix, Arizona, 64 Sprint H.T. For more information call Bill Branch, (602) 971-8803.

63 ½ Sprint Convertible, factory 4 spd., V-8, completely restored, immaculate original condition, has original tachometer, \$10,500. Showroom quality. John Legaspi, 5745 Fawn Drive, Santa Rosa, CA 95495. (707) 538-1351.

65 Ranchero, 6 cyl. auto., A/C, black & burg. paint. 5 black dot wire caps. \$2600 neg. T.D. Belue, Jr., 1007 Buchanan, Corinth, MS 38834. (601) 286-5252 after six.

63½ Futura Sport Coupe, 260/V-8 auto., rare bench seat, new interior, rechromed front bumper, N.O.S. grille, sharp & clean southern car stored winters, looks & drives fine. \$4500. Fly in, drive home. Joe Bassett, Sr., 123 Martin Pond Rd., Groton, MA 01450. (508) 448-6231.

62 2-Dr. Sedan, 144, A/T Restored to show quality, shown at '88 Nats — All N.O.S. exterior trim. Mechanically perfect. \$2800. Dale Holland, 1239 Clark Road, Augusta, GA 30906. (404) 793-2710.

61 Ranchero, 6 cyl. 170 3-spd., runs good, minor body work, primed. Fair interior, chrome wheels & hubs. **62 4-Dr. Custom Wagon**, auto, factory rear power window. 6 cyl. needs work, good body needs interior. Both \$750. Don Hobart, P.O. Box 796, Leona Valley, CA 93551. (805) 270-1685.

61 Falcon 2-Dr. Sedan, 6 cyl. auto. rebuilt, console orig., solid body, drive home only \$550. Andy Santos, Braley Hill Rd., Rochester, MA 02770. (508) 763-2782.

65 Falcon 4-Dr., Standard on the column. Lt. blue, \$500 O.B.O. Kathy Capezzuto, 44 Hartwell Rd., Bedford, MA 01730.

65 4-Dr. Station Wagon, 289 A/T, excellent everyday driver \$700. Dale Holland, 1239 Clark Rd., Augusta, GA 30906. (404) 793-2710.

63 Sports Futura, 6 cyl., 4-spd., A/C, new paint, runs & looks great. \$2500. Mark Bleicher, 14120 E. Glengyle St., Whittier, CA 90604. (213) 944-0477 after 3 p.m.

64 Sprint HT, 260 3-spd., cold factory A/C, P/S, many options, exc. shape, all original, \$3000 O.B.O. Susan Brunken, 9236 Church Rd., Dallas, TX 75231. (214) 341-2488.

70½ Falcon 2-Dr. Sedan, 15,600 orig. mi. Completely original except battery and brakes. I purchased car from orig. owner, garaged most of the time. Like brand new, rear seatbelts still in factory plastic, spare tire has never been on the ground. \$3400 O.B.O. Add. info or photos on request. Darryl G. Johnson, 16725 Middlebelt Rd., Livonia, MI 48154. (313) 525-7015.

LEAD ON CAR

1969 Futura, 4 door, aqua blue, 200 cu. in. 6, overall in fair-good condition. Charles M. Coble, Rt. 2, Box 338-P, Leesville, SC 29070. (803) 532-3764 nights or (803) 733-4728 days.

CARS WANTED

Solid 64 V-8 Convertible. Interior or Drivetrain not necessary but desirable. Small amount of rust OK. willing to travel to complete deal. After 5 p.m. EST or anytime weekends. Bob Kollay, 43 N. Maryland Ave., Youngstown, Ohio 44509. (216) 799-1488.

MEET REPORTS

The Northwest Falcons Chapter entered six Falcons in the Tacoma, Christmas Torchlight Parade on December 4th. The cars were all shined up and decorated with garland, balloons, etc. This was our second year for this parade. I'm sure many of you who have been in parades have heard comments such as, "Nice Car! I wish I'd kept mine," or "I used to have one just like that!" ('one' and 'mine' meaning Falcon automobile). After the parade, we all went to a local Rax restaurant and continued our 'fun time'. On December 10th, we held our annual Christmas party in Tacoma. It was a big success. There was a total of 26 bodies and one Falcon (guess our evening bash kept our "prize Falcons" at home). Of course, with it being a potluck event there was lots of good food. We had lots of fun with our gift exchange too. We elected the following new officers: Bill Crooks - President; John Puryear - Vice-President; Diane Almaas - Secretary; and Debbie Puryear - Treasurer.

The Mile-Hi Chapter held their regular monthly business meeting in November, and elected the following new Board of Directors and officers for the coming year: Pres: Barbara Sparks, V.P.: Lenny Kellogg, Sec: Jim Di Zerega, Treas: Ron Brown, and Board Members Richard Adkins, and Darrel Mansis. Twenty members attended and we welcomed newest member Ron Crawford into our chapter. On Dec. 3 numerous Mile-Hi members met at the Old Neighborhood Restaurant for a Christmas dinner and installation of officers. Following a wonderful dinner, outgoing President Richard Adkins was presented with an appreciation plaque from the chapter. Richard then presented the President's "traveling trophy" to Jan Brown for her work in the chapter for the last three years. Richard then presented Barbara Sparks an engraved gavel for the beginning of her new year as President. Bobbie Adkins presented all the wives with a little surprise gift and the evening ended with visiting and pictures.

The Founder's Chapter met at Mr. K's Restaurant in Benton, AR, Saturday, Nov. 12th. Our chapter participated in the Southwest City Mall Christmas parade on Saturday, November 19th. The Christmas party was at Denny's in Little Rock, Saturday December 10th.

The River City Chapter met at the Towe Ford Museum on November 22nd to conduct our November business meeting and see a slide show on the history of Ford and the Towe Ford Museum in Sacramento (The World's Most Complete Antique Ford Collection - 150 Ford Cars and Trucks). Ernest Hartley, the Museum's Curator, gave an excellent narrative to his outstanding slide presentation. Fifteen Falcon folks enjoyed the show. Ernest Hartley also thanked us for the support we've given the Museum in the past. On November 27th, the chapter gathered at the Towe Ford Museum with several other car clubs to decorate Christmas trees. Each club decorated one tree. We decorated our's with snowflakes, Falcon emblems, Falcon Club of America patches, glass ornaments with Falcon scenes painted on them, and chains of paper Falcons. We spread antique toys around its base. As shown in the photo, several River City members and our tree stand between a '61 Falcon 4-door sedan (right) and a '67 Falcon at the museum. We enjoyed decorating the tree and talking with members of other clubs. After decorating the tree and taking pictures, we enjoyed a delicious potluck and received a commemorative plaque.



The Gateway Chapter held their annual Christmas party December 11th at Yac's Restaurant in North St. Louis County. 23 people attended and enjoyed a delicious buffet dinner. After dinner everyone exchanged gifts and socialized until about 10 p.m., ending a very enjoyable evening. No business meeting was held in December due to Christmas falling on our meeting day. The January meeting will be moved one week to January 29 on account of Super Bowl Sunday. We would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year from everyone in the Gateway Chapter.

Calendar of Events

Arkansas – The Founder's Chapter meets the second Saturday of each month. Please mark your calendar & watch the newsletter for the place and time.

Texas – The Alamo Chapter will hold its regular meetings at 1:00 p.m. the second Sunday of each month for the convenience of our out-of-town members in Austin and Rockport.

Washington – The Northwest Chapter of the Falcon Club of America announces their new permanent meeting place and time: Korum Ford in Puyallup, WA the first Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m.

Kansas/Missouri – Mid America Falcons Chapter meets on the first Friday of every month at Santa Fe BBQ on 7 Hwy. in Olathe, KS. If interested, call (913) 294-2599 or (816) 452-1967.

January 8, 1989 – Washington – The Northwest Falcons Chapter monthly meeting. Our regular meeting day is the first Sunday in the month, but as New Year's Day is the first Sunday this January, our meeting will be on the next Sunday, January 8th, 1:00 p.m., at Korum Ford in Puyallup, WA.

January 22, 1989 – California – The River City Chapter has an ice cream social planned for 2 p.m. on Sunday, January 22nd at the Dan Castleberry and Joan Riordan home. Please call Ron Wilson at 725-4110 or Dan Castleberry at 447-1899 for more information.

February 11, 1989 – Delaware – The Mason-Dixon Chapter is having their Annual Dinner Meet at the same place as last year – The Barn Restaurant (our very own private dining room upstairs). The Restaurant is located on RT#40 about ½ mile west of the Rt40/Rt896 intersection in Glasgow, DE (adjacent to a shopping center). The Time: 6:00 p.m. – Social Hour, 7:00 – Dinner. After that, proposed events for 1989 will be discussed and a schedule will be presented. Also, we have many valuable door prizes to be presented during the evening – so don't miss this one! Call Elmer Furman (302) 798-8043 or Phil Barber (301) 266-8271 to make your reservation.

March 11, 1989 – Pennsylvania – The Keystone Chapter will hold its First Annual Dinner at Meyer's Family Restaurant located along Route 309 North of Quakertown, PA at 5:00 p.m. For further information contact Ed Snyder.

Falcon for Sale in Auction

A 64 Sprint Hardtop on January 20, 1989, in Phoenix, Arizona. For more information call Bill Branch at (602) 971-8803.

Texas Regional a Big Success!

We would like to express our appreciation in the newsletter to all the Falcon Clubbers who traveled to Plano, Texas for our Regional Meet in October! We in the Lone Star Chapter were pleased with the great attendance – there were over fifty Falcons on display and nearly 100 members at the banquet Saturday night. The weather wasn't what we had hoped for, but everyone seemed to enjoy themselves in spite of it.

Thanks to all of you who participated!

John D. Hewitt, Secretary/Treasurer, Lone Star Chapter.

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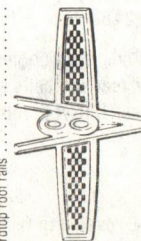


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New Jersey Meet Report

The Falcon Club had its first meet in New Jersey on July 17 at Seely's Pond, Watchung, N.J. In spite of extreme heat (100° plus), 10 cars made the meet. It was interesting meeting other Falcon members and sharing information on their cars. Enclosed are a few pictures we took of the cars. All cars were well maintained and all owners were proud of their Falcons.

Sal Cosenza, 563 West 9th Avenue, Roselle, NJ 07203



Proposed Eastern Regional in New Jersey

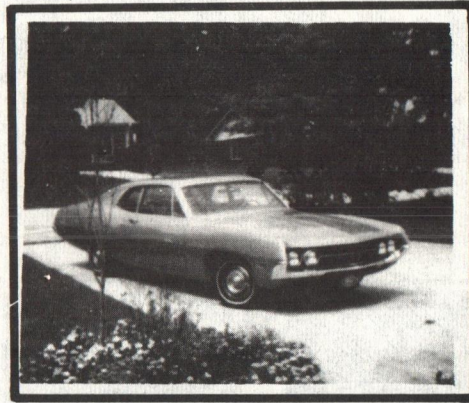
In anticipation of holding an Eastern regional meet on Sept. 8 & 9, 1989, I would like all interested F.C.A. members to send me a note that they would attend such a meet. This would not be a commitment, only an honest intention to attend. The show would be held at a hotel/motel in New Jersey. It would be a Saturday show with an awards banquet that evening. Rooms could be reserved for Friday and Saturday nights with a Sunday departure.

I need nine months lead time on rooms and banquet facilities, so I need replies A.S.A.P. I am counting on a positive response from our members. Please reply along with an S.A.S.E. to:

Chris Scioscio, 50 Spring St., Bloomfield, N.J. 07003. (201) 743-7245.

Feature Falcon

I am sending you a photo of my 1970½ jewel of a Falcon. This Falcon is mint condition, both on the interior and exterior except for the left & right plastic door molding of which I desperately need. My father had this Falcon and at his passing away last year, I purchased it from the estate and had it completely restored mechanically and cosmetically to original production condition with the exception of the L & R plastic door post panels. It's really a "thorn in my side" to have this Falcon completed to original condition except for 2 plastic panels. I have inquired at every junk yard in So. Carolina and So. Western No. Carolina and Atlanta, GA; to no avail. It is truly frustrating. Please let me hear from a member who has these parts.



D.R. "Rick" Fogle, 2 Guyton St., Greenville, SC 29615.

The Mason Dixon Chapter October 16th Meet – Sandy Point State Park



The Picnic: Sandy Point State Park.



Another of Glenn Kuhn's fine cars.



The Ranchero and Convertible are both Glenn's.



(L-R) Bob Adams, George Burnham, Wil Irwin, Bill Cameron, Buddy Winemiller.

'64 & '65 Station Wagon Roster

I am a Station Wagon enthusiast, and would like to compile a roster of all 1964 and 1965 Station Wagons to include all body styles (59A, 71A, 71B, 71C). Even though Station Wagons do not seem to be a popular collectible, perhaps many have survived. If you have a wagon model listed above, would you send me all the patent plate information to include in the roster? Indicate changes from original, and whether a parts car only. If you include a large size SASE, I will send you a copy of the roster when the survey is complete. Frank Servas, Jr., P.O. Box 850, Floral Park, NY 11002.

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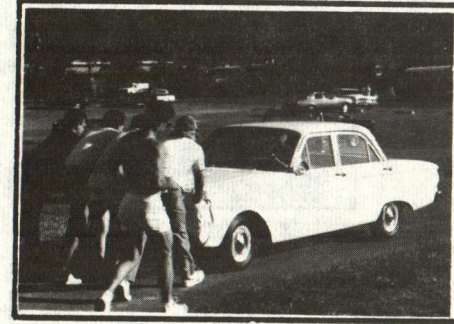
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Feature Falcon

This "Corinthian White" 1961 4-door Sedan is on public display at the Towe Ford Museum in Sacramento, California. The car has a gray vinyl and cloth interior, a 144 ci engine, and a Fordomatic transmission. It was assembled in San Jose on October 11th, 1960 and purchased by Ed Towe (originator of the Towe Ford Museum) in Circle, Minnesota. He drove the car to Chula Vista, California and gave it to his Great Aunt Lily. She drove her Falcon until she was 90 (she's now 100) and gave it back to Mr. Towe in 1978. The family continued to drive it for a short time before Mr. Towe added it to his famous Ford collection. The Falcon, along with 90 other fabulous Fords, was trailered to Sacramento in September of 1986. The Falcon and 150 other Fords are housed in the museum as part of the "World's Most Complete Antique Ford Collection."

The River City Chapter of the Falcon Club of America rolled the Falcon outside and gave it a thorough cleaning for our October 23rd meeting. We returned it with a new shine and only a short roll added to its 25,961 original miles. Everyone in the River City Chapter is especially proud of this Falcon.



***** Falcon Convertible Top Seals *****

1963-1965 Convertible Owners ONLY:

We now have 44 commitments and the manufacturer will now do a study on the tooling cost to determine the feasibility. I will send a set of old seals to him and we'll soon know what the cost and minimum number will be. Remember, we want to get some quality seals like Mustang owners have. This is what our club is for. Any of you who need the seals please send me a postcard with name, address and phone number. These will go to the manufacturer who may wish to confirm some of the postcards. If we can get another 44 commitments, we're definitely in.

Alan's Restorations, P.O. Box 2126, Truckee, CA 95734-2126.

The following article features Falcon members Marty and Tommie Martin of Garland, Texas and is reprinted from **MUSTANG ILLUSTRATED**, Summer 1988.



'MR FALCON'S' FAVORITE

Marty Martin's '63 1/2 Falcon Sprint
Text and Photography by Bob McClurg

Marty Martin was just a newlywed when the Ford Motor Company introduced the Ford Falcon in late 1959. At that time Marty fell in love all over again, but this time it wasn't with his wife Tommie, it was with Ford's new "compact car," the Falcon. Marty's affection for both hasn't dimmed one bit! Today, Marty's a proud grandfather, as well as being the owner of this outstanding 1963 1/2 Sprint convertible. Actually, it's just like the brand new one Marty bought for his bride in 1963 "except it's better now," he says.

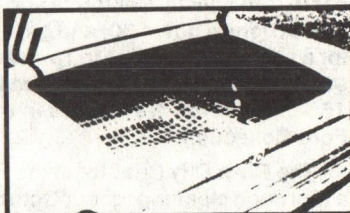
Around the Southwest Marty is known as "Mr. Falcon." He owns no less than half a dozen of them. This Wimbledon White convertible, though, is his very best by far. The convertible is a retired show winner and Marty says that he usually gets it out and drives it "when his adrenaline level is real low."

The Falcon, as many of you know, was the forerunner to the Mustang in both high-performance applications (specifically the Sprint) and in the use of its platform. Ford made use of the latter in order to get their new Mustang onto the market in a hurry, as well as to save the company at least four million dollars in expensive platform tooling and design expenses. In essence, you might say that the Ford Falcon was

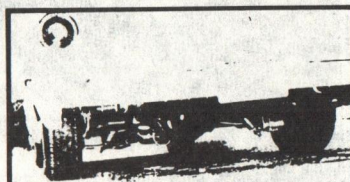
"The Father Of The Mustang."

When you take a look at the exterior, you'll see an expertly restored (with paint and body work by Bill Calvert) Falcon with lots of chrome and wire wheels. But underneath the hood, where the 260 cubic-inch small-block engine used to reside, lies a highly-polished and detailed (at Marty's business, M&P Custom Polishing) 1965 289 HiPo "K" motor. The engine was pirated out of a wrecked '65 Mustang. The 289 was assembled by Martin and friend Jud Cowley using primarily TRW, Ford and Competition Cams parts on the inside, while the ported and polished heads feature Competition Cams and Manley hardware. The engine also features other Ford goodies like a N.O.S. factory dual point distributor, a Shelby tri-power aluminum intake air cleaner, valve covers and factory aluminum oil pan. All of the above were lavishly polished at Marty's shop and were contrasted with either red or black Imron paint. With a Hays backed Top-loader four speed backing it all up, Marty is capable of showing the car's backside to other machines at will.

Like the engine room, all of the Falcon's suspension has received the full treatment of chrome and black Imron paint. Other additions include heavy-duty four wheel disc brakes, four Koni



ABOVE — Out in the back, the trunk features a factory trunk mat along with the battery housed in a marine storage box. The Falcon also employs three Halon fire extinguishers.



ABOVE — Marty's Falcon is long on detail. The underside features either black Imron or chrome. Koni's four wheel disc brakes and a Trac Loc rear end are all a part of the package.



ABOVE — The credit for this outstanding black pleated vinyl interior goes to Jim Martin Custom.



ABOVE — Here's the man himself. Martin owns no less than half a dozen Falcons and is currently in the process of building a Falcon sedan delivery street machine. He's also the Lone Star chapter president of the Falcon Club of America.

How Much is it Worth?

Having had my Falcon for 15 years, being in the Falcon Club, and just being seen with my car seems to make me sensitive to the question I'm most often asked - "how much is it worth?" Usually the question is preceded by either, "what year is it?" or, "will you sell it?" Don't get me wrong - I enjoy this attention, as I'm sure most of us in the hobby do, or we wouldn't be in it at all. A new Corvette hardly draws notice these days, but pull into the traffic with a Falcon, or any "old car" for that matter, and instant attention is yours! Now to the main point of this article - worth.

In the past few years I've received many letters from Falcon lovers, their friends, and even some referrals from Ford dealerships with the big question - "what's my Falcon worth?" Often times the car has been left to them by a relative (always a low mileage 4-door), or perhaps, for whatever reason, they've become disenchanted with Falcons or all cars in general. Well, there is no pat answer (even with a lot of pictures or explanations of the car's great condition) simply because pictures are, more often than not, kinder to the car than it deserves, and condition is a somewhat relative and elusive term. One man's "restored" means new tires, J.C. Whitney seat covers and an Earl Schieb paint job, and the next guy's idea of restored is a 100 point AACA three-time first place winner. Most of our beloved Falcons fall somewhere between these two extremes.

The only true worth figure must be determined by putting the car up for sale for best offer to see what the market will bear. You also need to decide who you'll be marketing the car towards - be it students looking for reliable transportation or people in the hobby. In my opinion the Falcon Sedan fills both of these categories, but those not in the "old car" hobby simply see them as old used cars. As we know, there is a big difference, especially in the price which will be paid. The Sprints and all of the 2-door Hardtops plus convertibles are perhaps too valuable as collector cars to be driven daily, however a solid 4-door sedan in good mechanical condition can be had for way under \$1000 and makes a reliable daily driver. A so-called modern car in good condition can't be had for those same low dollars as a Falcon, and of course reliability - well, that's another story.

Any guide which states the value of collector cars, antique cars, special interest cars or recent model used cars is only that - a guide. As stated previously, the only true test of a car's value results from a series of offers over a period of time from a diverse market. The only thing remaining is that when you get that highest offer - let the car go! If, of course, you really wanted to sell it in the first place.

Phil Barber, 2574 Riva Rd. #17A, Annapolis, MD 21401.

Feature Falcon

I am enclosing a picture of my 1965 Falcon Futura Hardtop. I purchased this car 4 years ago for \$100. It needed a lot of work, but I think it was worth it. It has an original 289 V-8. I have added a 4 barrel Holly - headers and wheels. The rest of the car is original.

Paul DeMoura, 2042 Winthrop St., N.
Dighton, MA 02764.



Feature Falcon

Hi, this is a little history about my '61 Falcon Wagon.

I bought the car about 8 years ago. It had made a trip across the country from California, and I purchased it for \$400. I drove the car as it was with the original 170 six 2-speed auto, for a while. I decided after about one year that it was time "to put in a V-8" and restore the car.

After a number of tries, I got a 1969, 302 2 V carb, with a 3-speed auto to fit into the car; I used the original rear end. I drove the car this way for years as a second car. Then I decided to strip the car down and start a ground-up restoration! Everything mechanical was taken off the car along with most of the body parts. It sat this way for quite a while, waiting for more time, money, and motivation!

I have put in a lot of labor in this past year: I put in a fresh '72 302 600 Holly, dual exhaust, 3-speed auto with floor shifter, and 14" wheels. After time I realized the suspension, rear end, braking, and handling needed much improvement.

A Falconeer, Mike Mullhare, discovered (in his vast collection of Falcons and parts) a '63 Sprint front end and a '63 V-8, rear end 3:25 to 1. He had everything except a steering box... Oh well, that's another search!!

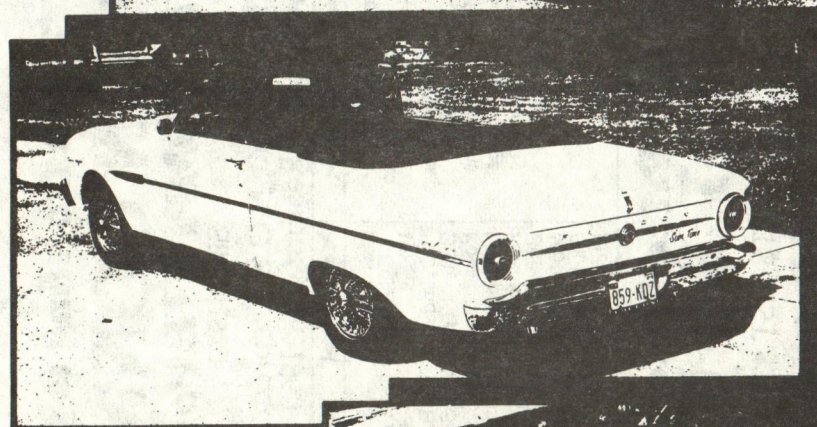
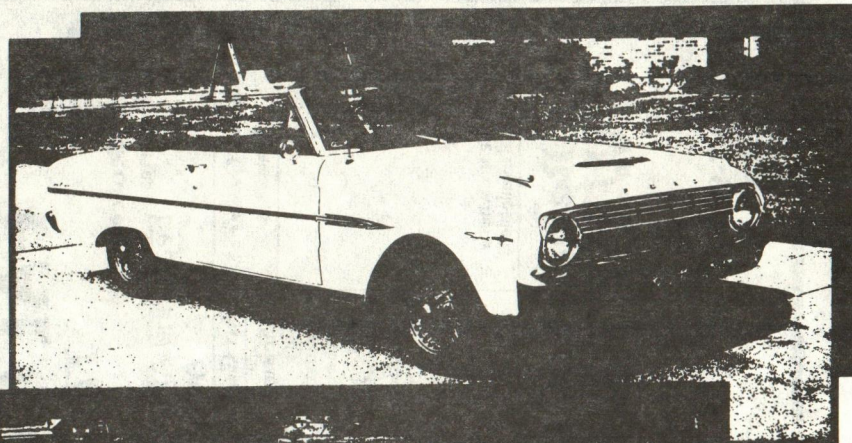
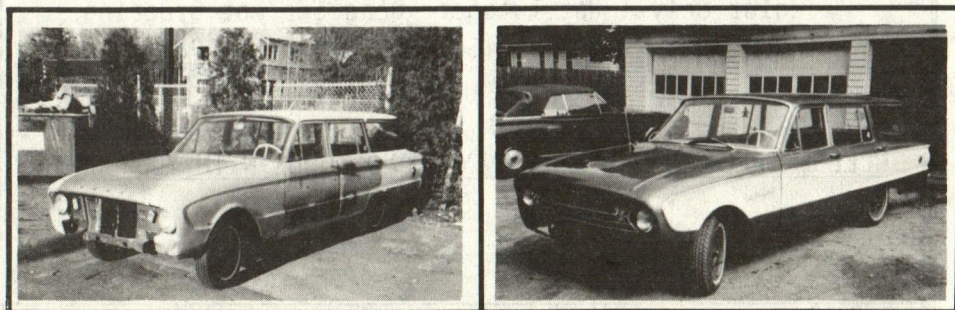
The rear end is currently in the shop for a complete overhaul (because I do not wish to change rear ends ever again). The front end will be a basement project for winter: tear it apart, replace parts, clean, and paint it. Then I will pop it in the car in the spring. I plan to use a 1" sway bar, and I already improved the coil springs. Years ago I installed a dual cylinder reservoir and proportioning block to improve braking. The Sprint's larger wheel cylinders and drums will be a great improvement, and should be all I'll need to do in that department.

On Mother's Day weekend, the car went to the body shop (below, left). Months later it emerged a two tone medium blue and ice blue. I borrowed this color combination from the '66 T-bird. I am working on the interior now, while I wait for some mouldings and clips for the exterior.

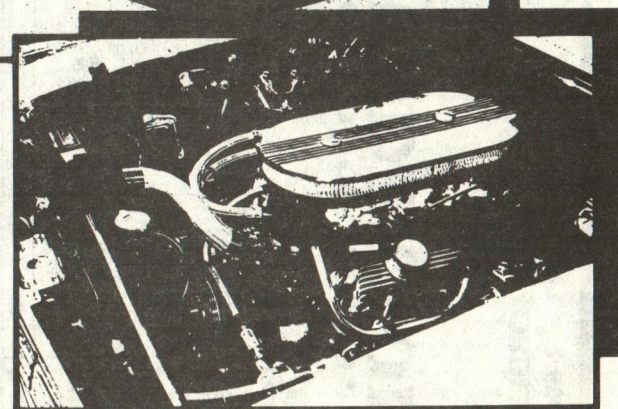
Everyone has asked, "why a Falcon Wagon?" My first car was a '61 Falcon 4-door Sedan and I liked it. So when I spotted the wagon I bought it on the spot. Things have not always gone well during this long project: a friend drove his car over my hood which was leaning on the garage wall, an engine hoist destroyed a fender, and one rear end seized, etc. However, the car has been a fun project over the years, inexpensive to work on, and a challenge to customize and restore!

That's all for now. I will send a photo when it is completed, by spring.

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Marty & Tommie Martin
Garland, Texas
1963 1/2 Falcon Sprint



shock absorbers, a Shelby front anti-sway bar and a 3.55 geared eight-inch Trac Loc equipped rear end. Wheels and tires on the Falcon are 14-inch Tru-Spokes using a set of BFGoodrich Euro T/A 70-H series radial rubber.

As can be expected, certain safety features have been added to protect Marty's investment. Included are three halon gas-activated fire extinguishers, an anti-theft device and a d.o.t. approved first aid kit. The battery has also been re-located into a battery storage box in the trunk for safety and convenience. Marty credits Jim Martin Customs for all the interior goodies.

Martin's Sprint features numerous detailing throughout that may take an

interested observer a little time to see. The car uses a number of custom machined stainless steel hand-fabricated parts done by machinist Bob Stanford. Other appointments include personalized wheel spinners, a ratchet emergency brake system and gobs of factory n.o.s. Ford parts.

The Falcon has won over thirty-five show awards and is the presidential flagship for Martin, the president of the Lone Star chapter of the Falcon Club of America. Like we said before, this '63 1/2 Falcon Sprint is truly "Mr. Falcon's" favorite. We can certainly see why!

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